CHAPTER 101.

AN ACT making the price paid for abstracts of title taxable as disbursements in certain cases.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Cost of abstracts, how chargable in certain cases.

SECTION 1. In any action or proceeding relating to or affecting title to lands, it shall be lawful to tax as a part of the necessary disbursements in favor of the successful party, the cost of procuring an abstract of title to the lands affected by the action or proceeding. Also it shall be lawful for executors of wills or administrators of estates of deceased persons, before proceeding to administer such estate, to procure a complete abstract of the title to the lands of which the said deceased died seized, and the price paid for such abstract shall be allowed as a necessary disbursement in the settlement of said estate.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 4,1874.

CHAPFER 102.

[Published March 6, 1874.]

AN ACT to establish a ferry between Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, and McGregor, Iowa.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Shall have exclusive right to run a ferry for five years within certain limits.

SECTION 1. That John Lawlor, his heirs or assigns, shall have the right to maintain a ferry across the Mississippi river, from lower Prairie du Chien or island, or islands opposite, to the city of McGregor, in the state of Iowa, for the period of five years from and after the passage of this act, and for the distance of one half mile, north or south, from the point at which the landing of said ferry may be established, and no other person or party, without the consent of the legislature of this state, shall have the right to establish any other ferry within the limits above described, provided that such ferry be run not less than five trips per day, and

Ferry-how often run.

to be increased to eight trips per day, as the business may demand, and provided, also, that the rates of ferriage shall not exceed the following, to wit: Foot pas-Rates of sengers, each, ten cents; one-horse vehicle and driver, ferriage. fifty cents; two horse vehicle and driver, seventy-five cents; freight per hundred pounds, five cents; large animals per head, twenty cents; small animals per head, five cents; commutation tickets may be purchased at twenty five cents for single horse vehicles, and fifty cents for two horse vehicles, when ten or more are purchased at one time, provided, also, that said J. Lawlor shall cause said ferry to be run to upper shall be run to Prairie du Chien as often daily as business may re-chien. quire, and that rates proportionate to those established on lower ferry, and the right is hereby granted to build, establish or extend without unnecessarily interfering win navigation, all docks, landings or approaches for such ferry or ferries.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 4, 1874.

CHAPTER 103.

[Published March 7, 1874.]

AN ACT to legalize a certain lease made by the president and directors of the Sheboygan and Fond du Lac Plankroad Company and to protect and secure the rights of the lessee therein named and his assigns.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. That the lease made by the president Legalizing a and directors of the Sheboygan and Fond du Lac lease. Plankroa: Company, bearing date the 3d day of April, A. D. 1863, to Henry J. Van Curen, his heirs, representatives and assigns, which is executed on the part of said company by Aug. L. McCrea, president, and George C. Cole, secretary, and by H. J. Van Curen on the part of Henry J. Van Curen on that part of the road of said company which lies between Main street in the city of Fond du Lac and the intersection of the Green Bay gravel road with said plankroad at Taycheedah, in the county of Fond du Lac, is hereby declared valid and effecutal for and during the full term